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more extensively, and to establish a closer correlation between the teaching of language and grammar. A great deal of attention is given to the development of oral expression, both as an aid to correct speech, and as a preparation for written composition.

Two new revisions of Montgomery's histories have appeared this year. The principal change in each case has been the addition of new material made necessary by the world-war. In the larger text,¹ fourteen pages have been added for this purpose; and in the elementary text² eighteen pages. Other changes have to do with the prohibition amendment, new inventions, and numerous minor items.

Geography texts.—For some time there has been developing a "regional" method of teaching geography. Up to the present, the use of this method has been hindered by the lack of a well-organized textbook of that kind. A new book by Professor Atwood,³ constructed upon the basis of "natural regions," will doubtless do much to stimulate this type of teaching. The book possesses many other merits, among which should be mentioned the six hundred carefully chosen illustrations and the fifty-eight colored maps. The map scheme is very effective from the pedagogical standpoint, and the individual maps have been constructed with particular attention to their correlation with the accompanying text material. Book One of the series,⁴ by Professor Frye, has been revised to show the changes brought about by the war, and a new chapter, entitled "The United States among the Nations," has been added.

Another geography, for supplementary use, has been written by Frank M. McMurry.⁵ It is devoted entirely to the geography of the world-war and its effects, and furnishes a more intensive treatment than can be given in the regular textbook. It has sixty-seven illustrations and maps, and an appendix giving a condensed survey of war events. It will be useful supplementary material for classes in both geography and history.

Supplemental reading material.—The enthusiasm for the conservation of natural resources has been the stimulus for a new series of readers. The

¹ D. H. MONTGOMERY, *The Leading Facts of American History*. Boston: Ginn & Co., 1920 [revised edition]. Pp. xii+421+c. \$1.40.

² D. H. MONTGOMERY, *The Beginner's American History*. Boston: Ginn & Co., 1920 [revised edition]. Pp. vi+297+xviii. \$0.84.

³ WALLACE W. ATWOOD, *New Geography, Book Two*. "Frye-Atwood Geographical Series." Boston: Ginn & Co., 1920. Pp. iv+304+xvi.

⁴ ALEXIS E. FRYE, *New Geography, Book One*. "Frye-Atwood Geographical Series." Boston: Ginn & Co., 1920 [revised edition]. Pp. viii+264+vi.

⁵ FRANK M. MCMURRY, *The Geography of the World War and the Peace Treaties*. New York: Macmillan Co., 1920. Pp. 64.